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This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

## **Listing of Claims:**

Claim 1 (currently amended): A method for producing colored glasses[[;]], comprising:

- 1.1 with a melt being produced first first producing in a melting-in station a melt of a glass batch or refuse glass;
- 1.2 with the glass melt being further processed processing the glass melt in at least one further vessel;
- 1.3 with the melt being supplied supplying the melt to a skull device (skull crucible or skull groove) in the course of further processing; and
- 1.4 with the melt being supplied supplying the melt with a stain after the melting-in station, but station and before or in the skull device.

Claim 2 (currently amended): A method as claimed in claim 1, characterized by the following features including:

- [[2.1]] causing two or more glass melt strands are branched to branch off from the melting-in station;
- [[2.2]] at least one of the glass melt strands [[is]] being provided [[with a]] to the skull device; and
- [[2.3]] <u>supplying</u> a stain melt is <u>supplied</u> to said at least one of the melt strands after the melting-in station, but before or in the respective skull device.

Claim 3 (currently amended): An apparatus for producing colored glasses[[;]] . comprising:

- 3.1 with a melting vessel [[(1)]] for producing a melt from refuse glass or a glass batch;
- 3.2 with a skull device (3) (skull crucible or skull groove) provided positioned downstream of the melt vessel [[(1)]]; and
- $\frac{3.3}{3.0}$  with a stain supply device [[(6, 6.1)]];
- 3.4 with the stain supply device (6, 6.1) being connected in downstream of the melt vessel [[(1)]] and upstream of the skull device [[(3)]].

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Claim 4(currently amended): An apparatus for producing colored glasses[[;]], comprising:

- 4.1 with a melting-vessel (1) a melt vessel for producing a melt from refuse glass or a glass batch;
- 4.2 with a skull device (3) (skull crucible or skull groove) provided a skull device positioned downstream of the melt vessel [[(1)]];
- 4.3 with a stain supply device [(6, 6.1)];
- 4.4 with the stain supply device [[(6, 6.1)]] being assigned to the skull device [[(3)]] in such a way that the stain is supplied directly to the melt contained in the skull device [[(3)]].

Claim 5 (currently amended): An apparatus as claimed in claim 3, characterized in that from the melt vessel [[(1)]] there are at least two downstream strands [[(1.2, 1.3)]] each connected with a respective skull device (3, 30) each and a respective stain supply device (6, 6.1) each.

Claim 6 (currently amended): An apparatus as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that from the melt vessel [[(1)]] there are at least two downstream strands [[(1.2, 1.3)]] each connected with a skull device (3, 30) each and a stain supply device (6, 6.1) each.

Claim 7 (new): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the skull device is a skull crucible

Claim 8 (new): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the skull device is a skull groove.

Claim 9 (new): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the melt is supplied with a stain before the skull device.

Claim 10 (new): A method as claimed in claim 1, wherein the melt is supplied with a stain in the skull device.

Claim 11 (new): An apparatus as claimed in claim 3 wherein the skull device is a skull crucible.

Claim 12 (new): An apparatus as claimed in claim 3, wherein the skull device is a skull groove.